

South Royalton Notes.

M. J. SARGENT, Local Editor.

Mrs. Susan Jones is quite ill and confined to her bed.

Regular meeting of the Sons of Veterans next Saturday eve.

The young married people here have formed a social club.

Mrs. F. H. Roberts is visiting at Dr. Nowlan's in South Stratford.

Union services will be held at the M. E. church this (Thursday) evening.

George Doubleday and wife have an infant daughter, born last Sunday.

The Gold Dollar band is to give a concert at Tunbridge in the near future.

L. B. Johnson, editor of the HERALD AND NEWS, was in town last Saturday.

Miss Leslie Shepard has been quite ill the past week with nervous prostration.

The White River Shoe Co. placed two new machines in their factory last week.

George Mudgett has been engaged to put in a telephone exchange at Northfield.

The Sons of Veterans will hold a social and oyster supper at John Shepard's, Feb. 13.

Charles Buck of East Bethel has opened a wheelwright shop in the building occupied by H. S. Knight.

There are several new cases of mumps in town. It is now thought there will be enough to go around.

The ladies of the Cong'l society gave a Valentine social, with supper, at the vestry this week Wednesday.

Rev. J. O. Bennett of Bethel will preach in the Universalist hall Feb. 18th at 2 p. m. All are cordially invited.

The Armor Side Corset for sale by Sargent & Son is warranted not to break down on the sides. Try them.

A. N. Merrill is having a large number of cuts brought to him for training to the harness. He had ten last month.

The lyceum, conducted by the pupils of the graded school each Friday evening, is well attended and the interest increases.

Low prices for ladies' and children's winter goods, hoods, cloaks, gloves, mittens and small wares at M. J. Sargent & Son's.

The lumbermen are very busy at the present time getting their logs to the mill. J. W. Waldo has 20 teams drawing logs to the mill.

The drama, "Bound by an Oath," given by the local club last Wednesday and Thursday evenings, was well presented and drew a good house.

The water supply is getting low and every family should see that there is no unnecessary waste from the springs through the water pipes.

M. J. Sargent & Son will have the Century, Cosmopolitan, Frank Leslie's and Munsey's magazines on sale, commencing with the March numbers.

J. M. Shepard, of the Shepard Family, has had a very flattering inducement to have his family travel and give concerts for another party this season.

John Mudgett was in Poultney on business the latter part of last week. He encountered the big snowstorm and was obliged to leave his team and take the train at Rutland.

C. P. Bartlett went to Burlington last Saturday to see his wife, who is being treated at the Mary Fletcher hospital. She is expected to be able to return home in about three weeks.

C. P. Abbott is completing arrangements to build his house and store on the site purchased last fall and will commence as soon as the snow is off. The foundation was put in last fall.

M. J. Sargent has a nice line of gold and gold-plated, steel and nickel-plated eyeglasses and spectacles at low prices. Gold riding bows, \$1.75 and \$1.25; nickel-plated at 50c. per pair. Lenses warranted to fit.

Rev. Mr. Roberts notified his official board Feb. 8, that it was his purpose to close his pastorate at South Royalton with the end of the present conference year. There has been a net gain of 20 members during his pastorate with the church.

North Pomfret.

Grace Thacher is at work for Mrs. Will Whipple.

Sadie Burke is at work for Mrs. John Burbank.

Little Anna Burbank has been sick with bronchitis.

Albert Pierce has moved into Mrs. Vaughan's house.

Victor Bushway and wife visited in So. Royalton recently.

There will be a Farmers' meeting at the town hall Saturday, Feb. 16.

Dana Hewitt and wife are visiting his mother, Mrs. Persis Hewitt.

Coy Bugbee is very sick with rheumatism and Willie Adams remains about the same.

Pomfret.

Mr. Root of Norwich was in town last week on business.

Mr. John Raymond is now able to sit up for a short time.

Remember the Farmers' club meeting this week Saturday and attend.

Mrs. O. C. Boynton recently gave her daughter, Miss Genevieve, a birthday party.

George Gerry has returned from Burlington. Mrs. Gerry still remains at the hospital.

A line cross on your paper calls attention to the expiration of your subscription.

Royalton.

New line of wall papers and borders just received at George A. Laird's.

The latest styles in ladies' fine boots just received at George A. Laird's.

Mr. Nathan Preston, who has been quite ill, is able to be outdoors again.

Try a bag of Pratt's horse and cattle food, price 65 cents, at Geo. A. Laird's.

A full line of men's and boys' rubber boots just received at George A. Laird's.

Bargains in Puritane washing powder—5c. a lb. or 6 lbs. for 25c.—at George A. Laird's.

Miss Carrie Conant finished her school in the Lyman district Friday and is at the Cascadac.

Miss Alice Preston went Saturday to West Lebanon, N. H., to visit her sister, Mrs. Albert Lyman.

Miss Lucia Skinner left Monday for Boston, where she is a pupil in the New England Conservatory of music.

The village school closed Friday afternoon with rhetorical exercises, in which the pupils acquitted themselves with credit.

Willis Jones and Miss Cora Richards were married Feb. 7th, and for the present will make their home with the bride's parents.

It is cheering to note that the older inhabitants say that "the backbone of winter is broken." Certainly last week was enough to break the backbone of nearly everything else.

Notwithstanding the severity of the weather, about sixty attended the Women's Relief Corps' "Parade" party at Geo. Preston's. A pleasant evening was spent by all and a neat sum was added to the treasury of the Corps.

Arrangements have been made for a course of three lectures to be given in the Congregational church. The first lecture will be given by Rev. G. W. Morrow of West Randolph, Tuesday evening, Feb. 19th, at 8 o'clock. Subject, "Life Sketches."

School in the Lyman district, taught by Carol L. Conant, closed last Friday. Harriet Rogers, Nettie and Aurin Luce, George and Fred Howe had no absent nor tardy marks during the term, and Harriet Rogers and Nettie and Aurin Luce were perfect in attendance throughout the year.

School in Dist. No. 6 closed Feb. 8. Those having no marks during the term were: Altha and Anne Dutton, Louise and Ruth Dearing, Arthur, Harold and Ray Benson, Eugene Preston and Myron Buck. Number of scholars, 13; average attendance per day, 12.37-49. Ruth Dearing had no marks during the year. Altha Dutton missed but one word during the term.

MAY D. KIRKBE, Teacher.

The village school, consisting of 30 pupils, closed with recitations Friday, Feb. 8. Ray Southgate, Grace and Ethel Adams were present every school day of the year. Zoie Abbott, Burt Howard, Hattie and Maud Richards were not absent during the term. Those absent from one half to two days are Guy Adams, Harriet Pecor, Edd Smith, Warren Bean and Carl Pecor. Zoie Abbott, William Harvey and Warren Bean missed no words. Grace Adams, Hattie Powers and Ray Southgate misspelled one word each. Hattie Richards, Ethel Adams and Nellie Smith had the most marks in their respective classes.

MRS. EVELYN M. ADAMS, Teacher.

West Fairlee.

Mrs. John Cook is on the sick list.

Samuel Stevens spent Sunday at home.

Mrs. Richard Bidders is under the doctor's care.

Richard Oulds has sold his farm to H. J. Kenney.

George Gilman from Dartmouth spent Sunday at home.

Mrs. O. Scribner returned from Plainfield, N. H., Monday.

Charles W. Stevens arrived from Newport, N. H., Monday.

Mrs. Knight has returned from Corinth, where she has been visiting.

The Willing Workers met at the home of Mrs. Helen Whitney last Wednesday evening.

Joseph Role of Vershire has bought of F. D. Aldrich his house, blacksmith shop and tools. He takes possession at once.

The auditors met in the town clerk's office at the town hall Wednesday, the 13th, to audit the account of town officers.

Don't forget the entertainment to be given in Village hall, Friday evening of this week. The entertainment commences at 7:45. The program is an interesting one, consisting of farces, vocal and instrumental music, and a good time is in store for all who attend. Proceeds for benefit of hall.

Hancock.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Orange Goodyear, Feb. 5th.

Leonard Whitcomb closed a successful term of school here Friday, Feb. 8th.

Edmund Chittenden of Louisville, N. Y., visited relatives and friends in town lately.

Dr. and Mrs. Huntington of Rochester, Mr. and Mrs. George Marsh and Mrs. Emily A. Wilson were very pleasantly entertained last Thursday afternoon and evening by Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Vinton.

Many have testified to the fact that Dr. Glidden's Rheumatic Cure will cure Rheumatism. For sale at Morton's drug store.

North Royalton.

Several in R. Roger's family are on the sick list.

Mrs. Ben Thayer has returned from a week's visit with her parents in West Randolph.

Braintree.

M. R. Flint stopped at J. A. French's over Sunday.

Lewis Tatro has moved from Randolph to Braintree.

F. Jane Wellington visited in West Randolph last week.

Go to E. E. Evans', West Randolph, for Drugs and Medicines.

Mrs. Ellen Claffin is working in the family of E. I. Claffin.

A few of our people attended the circular conference at Bethel, Tuesday.

Some of the water pipes have been closed until the heat of summer shall melt their frozen contents.

Merton Rogers has purchased a farm in Brookfield and is to take possession about the first of April.

Saturday and Sunday the road commissioner and his assistants were kept busy opening roads.

Owing to the inclemency of the weather, the Ladies' Union failed to meet with Mrs. J. B. Wells last week.

George Hutchinson and wife united with the Randolph grange Saturday evening. There were twelve who joined.

The Union Sunday school at Peth is to choose its officers and teachers for the ensuing year Sunday, Feb. 17, and a full attendance is solicited.

There will be a free lecture in the church Thursday evening at 7:30, given by Rev. V. W. Blackman of Bethel, under the auspices of Snowsville grange.

John Hutchinson closed his singing school at Peth, Thursday evening, with a concert which was quite well attended considering the severity of the weather. The small admission of 5c. was charged and \$12 were realized, which will be used to purchase new books for the library.

School in Dist. No. 5 closed Saturday, Feb. 9, with Mrs. Geo. C. Flint as teacher. The eight pupils were Eddie Smith, Herbert and Alice Snow, Charlie Pecor, Leo, Nina, Lella and Perkins Flint. The last named had one tardy mark on account of sickness. That was the only mark during the term and the only tardy mark during the year. The average standing of each pupil was above 90 per cent and prizes were awarded them for punctuality and diligence in school work.

School in Dist. No. 9 closed Friday, Feb. 8. Washington's birthday being only two weeks from that day, the teacher took the opportunity to commemorate it at the close of the school, by declamations, essays, dialogues and music appropriate for the occasion. The schoolroom was decorated with flags while on the blackboards were drawings of different designs, among them being Washington's portrait, the American flag, etc. Although owing to the bad weather few visitors were present, the exercises passed off very nicely. The whole number of scholars was 21. Those having no absent nor tardy marks during the term were: Ray Clough, Ida Spooner, having no absent marks were Blanche and Ray Clough and Ida Spooner.

CARRIE H. COLEMAN, Teacher.

Granville.

Cora and Myrtle Maynard are ill.

Mrs. A. Lull is in New Hampshire.

Harry Hubbard is going to Burlington to work.

Go to E. E. Evans', West Randolph, for Drugs and Medicines.

Earl Bean and wife are going to Roxbury, where he is to work for N. D. Rice.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown of Rochester have recently been the guests of Eugene Campbell.

E. N. Hemenway and E. W. Ford were in Middlebury, Bristol and Lincoln on business last week.

Nearly all the schools in town closed last week. The exhibition in Dist. No. 1 Friday evening was very good but on account of the bad weather the attendance was small.

School in No. 10 closed last Friday with appropriate exercises. Those having no absent marks during the term were Grace and Martha Abel, Joe Ellis, Lilla Hubbard, Lou Whitney and Charles, Frank and Glenn Wilson. The prize for perfect deportment was won by Lou Whitney. Whole number of pupils, 35.

LUCRA E. CARRIGAN, Teacher.

Braintree Branch.

About forty were present at the sociable and candy sale held by the ladies of the Branch society Saturday evening, Feb. 2, at Mr. J. H. Williams. Music and games helped to pass the time pleasantly until a bountiful repast was served, furnished by Mr. John Williams, it being the seventy-third anniversary of his birth. The repast was delicious as well as bountiful and much enjoyed by all. The next social will be held at Mr. Dana J. Batties', Saturday evening, Feb. 16. The feature of the entertainment will be a "fish pond" and "John Chinaman" party. For the last, two prizes will be awarded. Come one, come all.

Corinth.

J. M. Scribner is ill.

Wednesday, the 6th, was the coldest day of the season.

Fred Rollins, who was threatened with pneumonia, is convalescent.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Sumner is ill with the chicken pox.

Saturday, J. F. Merrill sold to M. G. Flanders of Bradford a nice yoke of oxen for \$120.

A Des Moines woman who has been troubled with frequent colds, concluded to try an old remedy in a new way, and accordingly took a tablespoonful (four times the usual dose) of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy just before going to bed. The next morning she found that her cold had almost entirely disappeared. During the day she took a few doses of the remedy (one teaspoonful at a time) and at night again took a tablespoonful before going to bed, and on the following morning awoke free from all symptoms of the cold. Since then she has, on several occasions, used this remedy in like manner, with the same good results, and is much elated over her discovery of so quick a way of curing a cold. For sale by M. J. Sargent & Son, and E. E. Evans & Co.

Chelsea Home News.

HALE K. DARLING, Local Editor.

Mrs. Burnham Martin has returned to Vergennes.

J. K. Darling attended the Republican rally at Burlington, Tuesday.

Ernest and Annie Hall gave a party at Frank Thorne's last Thursday.

The bean dinner at the Cong'l church last week netted a trifle over \$13.

The town hall has been wired for the purpose of improving its acoustic properties.

Dick Tracy has returned from St. Johnsbury, having decided not to enter the academy.

Mr. and Mrs. John B. Bacon left Wednesday for Florida, where they will remain for several months.

There was a quilting at Mrs. Frank Thorne's last week Wednesday, followed by a social time in the evening.

Forris E. Hood has rented the former residence of Dr. Godfrey, now owned by Wm. F. Davis of Jacksonville, Fla.

C. O. Burnham has been threatened with pneumonia, but we are glad to report that he is improving at present writing.

Miss Lou Bacon, who attends Moody's school at Northfield, was called home last week by the illness of her brother, Harry.

A jolly party of eight couples attended the drama and dance at South Royalton last week. We forbear mentioning the hour they arrived home.

The trustees of the town library have voted to extend the privileges of the library to residents of other towns on payment of one dollar per year.

The heaviest snowstorm of the season came last Friday, and interfered quite seriously with travel. The Barre stage failed to go through on that day.

Poles have been distributed for the new telephone line between Chelsea and Washington, which, when completed, will be a great convenience to the public.

The numerous friends and patients of Dr. Godfrey will be pleased to learn that he is not to locate elsewhere. His office will be at the Orange County hotel.

Services in memory of the late Mrs. Luther Ramsdell will be held at the residence of Robert Ramsdell, Friday, Rev. J. D. Cross will deliver the discourse.

We understand that Frank H. Tracy has bargained for the Denmore sawmill, which at present is leased by himself and E. E. Denmore. We are glad the property is to fall into such enterprising hands.

Miss Lewis' school in Dist. No. 12 closed Friday with appropriate exercises. In the evening, a spelling school was held, which was attended by nearly everybody in the district. The successful competitor was Miss Fannie Stearns.

The regular monthly meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held at the residence of Mrs. L. C. Hatch, Feb. 7th. At the close of the business meeting, an interesting memorial service was held in memory of Mrs. Mary L. Lathrop, state president of the Michigan W. C. T. U. for fourteen years.

The school in Dist. No. 17 closed last Friday with appropriate historical exercises. The teacher, Miss Hattie E. Stevens, reports the following pupils as having no absent marks: Jessie Davis, Mary Larabee, Mary Scobie, Annie and Carrie Slepser, Florence Denmore, Herman Davis, Ray Sanborn and Louis Denmore. Jessie Davis has not been absent during the year.

During the year 1894 there were 22 births and 29 deaths in town. The causes of death were as follows: Accident, 3; uraemia, paralysis, heart disease, 7; dropsy, 2; pneumonia, 3; consumption, 3; old age, 4; blood poisoning, meningitis, suicide, cystitis, and one unknown. The average age was 53. Seventeen marriages licenses were issued during the year. In 1893 there were 36 deaths, 15 births and 12 marriages, by which it will be seen that 1894 exhibits a marked improvement all along the line.

The cases of A. W. Chandler, Wm. Goodwin, Fred E. Goodwin, E. E. Denmore, H. O. Bryant and Fred H. Stanton against C. V. Winslow were heard before Justice Emery, Friday. The suits were brought to recover wages due the plaintiffs from Mr. Winslow, proprietor of the shoe shop. Judgment was rendered in favor of all the plaintiffs by default. Darling & Darling for plaintiffs. On Monday, the case of A. A. Abbott against John Edwards was tried before the same justice, with like result. Same counsel as in last cases.

The result of the investigation of affairs at Gustus W. Cleveland's, referred to last week, was the arrest of Cleveland at the instance of Town Grand Juror E. O. Tracy. Cleveland was brought before Justice Emery on Tuesday last week and on being arraigned pleaded guilty to the complaint, which charged him with assaulting his wife and disturbing the peace. On the evidence produced he was bound over to the grand jury in the sum of \$200, and not being able to procure bail he was committed to jail. H. K. Darling appeared for the state; respondent pro se.

"Why not have a free reading room in the new town building?" is a question that ought to suggest itself to the powers that be. A little money judiciously expended in providing newspapers and periodicals and fuel and lights for a reading room would be the best investment that practical philanthropy could find. Even if the room could be kept open but two hours each evening the benefit to the community would be very great. There is not a sensible reason why this cannot be done, while there are a thousand reasons why it should be done. It is bound to come sometime.

The winter session of the academy closed Friday, and the spring term, the high and intermediate grades will begin Feb. 25. The pupils having no marks are, for Miss Spaulding's room, Pamela Coburn, Florence Sargent, Mary and Phyllis Slack, Zilla Smith, Lily Robins, Jamie Hayward, William Dexter and Wesley Underhill. Those having one absence are Edith Peters, Nellie Wells, Lytle Tracy, Edith Hood, Fred Hayward, Leonard Thompson, Wesley Davis and John Cady. In the primary room the following have been present every day: Laura Andrews, Choroene Barnes, Margaret Comstock, Lora Hood, Emma Hatch, Amelia Slack, Mildred Sherman, Sallie Emery, Guy Hood, Ellen Abbott.

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Donald Comstock, Charles Dickinson, Geo. Thompson, Edward Hatch, Joseph Tracy. Those having only one absence are Fred Copeland, Frank and John Robbins. Those having no marks for the year are Choroene Barnes, Emma Hatch, Margaret Comstock, Mildred Sherman, Amelia Slack, Donald Comstock, Charles Dickinson and Edward Hatch.

LILLIAN M. WELLS, Teacher.

W. R. G. S. Notes.

Four couples from the High school enjoyed a straw ride to Snowsville, Monday evening.

The musical talent of '95 spent a very pleasant evening at Miss Lizale Holman's the 11th.

The Randolph Student is a paper published by this school and the Normal. Watch for it.

The High school celebrated Lincoln's birthday with short but appropriate exercises. The 65 pupils of the First Intermediate school also celebrated the day.

The Seniors have lately received their class pins, which are of gold and of a very handsome design. They were purchased through N. C. Greene and are satisfactory in every respect.

The school in the Grammar department has been much disturbed by the prevailing distemper. The names of 57 pupils are enrolled but during the last few weeks the attendance has been less than 50.

The lyceum is in a flourishing condition. The decision pending from a two weeks' debate on the question of Free Trade and Protection, resulted 3 to 0 in favor of Free Trade. The lyceum adjourns the 18th.

The W. R. H. S. Athletic association elected the Senior manager, Walter C. Woodward, to represent it at the business meeting of the Dartmouth Inter-Scholastic Athletic association held Wednesday afternoon at the Junction House, White River Junction.

The Second Intermediate has a list of 50 names on its roll-call. The attendance is good, though the prevalent cold has made it somewhat less regular than during the preceding term. One member of the committee visited this school this week, and the other members of the committee and the parents of the pupils are cordially invited to include this school in their list of calls.

East Randolph.

Mrs. Gilbert Blaisdell is considerably better.

The river is so low that grinding is interfered with.

Go to E. E. Evans', West Randolph, for Drugs and Medicines.

The stage failed to put in an appearance Friday night on account of the storm.

The auction on the premises of the late W. R. Holden, Saturday, drew a good number.

Mrs. Loren Adams and Mrs. Charles Sprague attended the funeral of their brother-in-law, Hiram Luce, of Chelsea, Tuesday of last week.

The remains of Hiram Luce, who for several years lived on the Arnold farm and who died at his home in Chelsea, Feb. 3, were brought here for interment Tuesday.

The Crusaders continued their work until Sunday, Feb. 10. No such religious revival has been experienced here for many years. It is understood that the band goes to Newbury next.

South Randolph.

D. Parker of Chelsea has been staying at H. P. Riford's for a few weeks past.

Otis Hunt has rented a farm in Sharon and expects to move onto it about the first of March.

The social dance held in Grange hall Friday evening had a small attendance on account of the blizzard.

The school here has lost several pupils on account of the mumps scare and by several entering the Normal.

Dr. W. L. Paine and Allie Vaughan of Thetford spent a day here with friends the first of the week. The doctor will soon go to New York to take a three months' course of study in the Post Graduate Medical school hospital.

Randolph.

Services will be resumed in Grace church next Sunday at 2:30 p. m.

MARRIED.

In South Royalton, Feb. 7, at the M. E. parsonage by Rev. H. F. Roberts, Mr. Willis Jones and Miss Cora Addie Richards, both of Royalton.

In Bethel, Feb. 7th, by Rev. S. A. Parker, Henry J. Noble and Miss Bertha A. Dearing, both of Bethel.

Guaranteed Cure.

We authorize our advertised druggist to sell Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs, and Colds, upon this condition. If you are afflicted with a Cough, Cold or any Lung, Throat or Chest trouble, and will use this remedy as directed, and experience no benefit, you may return the bottle and have your money refunded. We could not make this offer did we not know that Dr. King's New Discovery could be relied on. It never disappoints. Trial bottles 10c. at Drew & Leonard's Drug Store. Large size, 50c. and \$1.

West Randolph Concluded

The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. Chas. White next Friday p. m. at 3 o'clock.

L. B. Johnson attended the meeting of the Young Men's Republican club in Burlington, Tuesday.

Everybody is invited to the boiled dinner at the G. A. R. hall Tuesday under the auspices of the W. R. C.

Mrs. L. H. Keith returned Saturday from a visit in Northfield; and G. E. Cushman, who, with his daughter, Ella, went to Boston last week, arrived home Tuesday.

Miss Seba Ryder had returned to Barre leaving her sister, Mrs. Iona Chase, improved in health; but as Mrs. Chase is not so well, she will come Saturday to care for her as long as necessary.

The 33 members of the Senior class are soon to give the public an evening's entertainment which will allow an opportunity to judge of the ability of the largest class ever graduated from the High school.

"The fiendish little microbe" referred to elsewhere by the local editor has pounced upon her, preventing her appearance in the HERALD office since Monday. Until it "lets up," any errors in locals should be regarded tentatively.

F. E. Clark, D. D., president of the U. S. C. E., says: "I regard Mr. John G. Woolley as the most eloquent temperance orator of the present day. Strong and forcible and most convincing is his style of argument. He will inspire every audience that hears him."

Last Saturday's Boston Globe contained an item of interest to the friends of Miss Euna Denison. It told that Dr. Wilder entertained at his home the previous evening the Violin club, which is composed of nine violinists and one guitar player, five of the members, including Miss Denison, belonging to the Smith college school of music and the others to the Capen school.

Reduced rates have been procured at the Red Lion Inn for those from out of town who attend Mr. Woolley's lecture Monday night, Feb. 18th. One hundred reserved seats had been checked off last Monday morning at eleven o'clock. Speakers of such notoriety do not appear in West Randolph often, and the people seem to know a good lecture in time to avail themselves of an opportunity to hear it. Tickets are on sale at Bass' book store, and only five cents extra, i. e. 30 cents, secures a reserved seat. It is expected that two sled loads of people, besides many single teams, will come from Randolph Center, and Braintree, and possibly from Brookfield and Bethel; as tickets are put in all four places.

The famous Lucier's Minstrels are to appear at DuBois & Gay's hall Thursday evening, Feb. 21st, in new novelties, introducing an entirely new program. The Luciers can always be relied upon to give a clean, wholesome, up-to-date minstrel performance, and one that would not abash the most fastidious. Miss Marguerite Lucier, a special feature engaged at a big salary, and her Spanish dances and musical specialties are said to be wonderful. Mr. Joseph Lucier, the only blind actor and composer in the world, may also be seen and heard as middle man in the first part. His wonderful cornet solos have made him famous the world over. Several new additions have been made to the company, including the Del-manning brothers, Archie and Den, in their world-famous specialties. See the advertisement in this issue and the street bills for further particulars.

St. Valentine's day, which falls on the present date, derived its name by accident from a monk of the order of St. Benedict, in St. Peter's convent, at Erfurt, Prussia, who would no doubt have had a fit of nervous prostration had his pious gaze ever chanced to rest on a modern valentine of the one-cent variety. A certain learned writer, in speaking of the custom, suggests that it may have descended to us from the ancient Romans, who during the Lupercalia, celebrated in the month of February, were wont, among other things, to put the names of young women into a box, from which they were drawn by the young men as chance directed. The Christian clergy, finding it hard to extirpate the pagan practice, gave it at least a religious aspect by substituting the names of particular saints for those of the uncanonized young women, who were probably thereby greatly stimulated to an exercise of the Christian virtues sufficient to bring their names again within the honored list. It has certainly been a usage, more or less widely extended, in the Roman Catholic church to select either on St. Valentine's day or some other a patron saint, who was called "a valentine."

Monday's Boston Market.

Steamer yellow corn, 5 to 5 1/2c.; clipped oats, 40 to 40 1/2c.; choice to fancy beef, 8 1/4 to 8 1/2c.; prime, 7 1/2 to 8c.; good, 6 1/2 to 7 1/2c.; spring lambs, 8 to 8 1/2c.; muttons, 5 to 7 1/2c.; choice eastern veals, 9 to 10c.; butter, firmer but prices unchanged; northern full cream and twin cheeses, 11 1/2 to 12c.; fair to good, 9 to 10c.; eggs, 30 to 31c.; Hebron potatoes, 58 to 60c.; American refined sugar, 4c., and Reverse, 3 1/2 to 3 1/4c.

Local Market Report.

Box butter, 25c. per lb.; eggs, 25c. per doz.; hogs, 3c.; sheep, 2 1/2c. to 3 1/2c.; calves, 4 1/2c.; lambs, 4 1/2c.

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In Wash Goods, New Silk Gingham, Ducks, Sateens, White Goods, Crepons, etc. Send for Samples.

SHOES AND RUBBERS. Please bear in mind that your goods only cost you about three-quarters as much as they did last season and in many cases less. Make your selections early.

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